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DON'T MAKE IT ALL ONE SIDED.

The attitude of the public and the press toward the workmen's compensation act is just now engaging a great deal of attention. Various amendments are asked and some go so far as to ask for its repeal. From the mass of comment, concerning the act that is going, the rounds of the newspapers it is obvious there are two sides to the question.

As to the repeal of the act, that may be disposed of with a word; it will not be repealed. It is a piece of legislation based on too good a principle to be taken off the statute books but one may read a lot of comment which indicates a disposition on the part of some people to make it altogether too one sided against those large employers who will have to pay the burdens of compensation. This phase of the case we believe is to be deplored, particularly as the act affects the coal mining industry.

Of recent date, a delegation of coal operators visited the capital to interview the government relative to amendments the operators would like to have enacted. Among these was a proposal to reduce the amount of compensation in case of a fatal accident from \$1800 to \$1500. Then the operators suggested a system of insurance to protect operators against excessive losses under the operation of the act, their proposal being that they would pay five cents a ton on all coal mined, to the government as a fund from which the government should pay all claims for compensation.

A certain section of the press has come out very strongly against either proposal, holding that \$1800 is not too great a sum to be paid as compensation for the loss of the bread winner while with regard to the insurance proposal, it is argued that such an arrangement would subvert the main intent of the act. It is held by the Calgary Albertan for instance, that the main purpose of the framers of the act was to prevent accidents by making employers more careful.

To our way of thinking there is merit in both proposals. To begin with, if the government were to grant the proposal of the operators to create an insurance fund to be provided by the operators by a tax on their output, the need of the amendment to reduce the amount of compensation would be disposed of; there would then be no necessity for reducing the amount of compensation. But suppose nothing of that kind is done, then we think, there is a good reason for reducing the amount from \$1800 to \$1500 as asked. The reason is not that the amount is too great. It is a poor sort of a man whose life is not worth that amount to his dependents, but because it is impossible for the operators to insure against such loss to a greater sum than \$1500 to the man. Therefore, as the act stands the operator must lose \$300 an average man that may be killed. It is not difficult to see that a very serious accident could easily put out of business almost any coal company now operating in the province and would certainly be a serious blow to the best of them. If it were not possible for the operators to insure at all, the act would simply put an end to coal mining or at least put it in the hands of a few of the richest companies for but very few if any could afford to take the chance of a big accident. It is patent that if the operators are to pay compensation, there must be a means of paying it without digging it up out of the regular earnings.

Therefore if \$1500 is the full amount of insurance that can be carried, then it seems to us only fair that that should be the limit of compensation that should be paid. Accordingly, if there is to be no scheme of government insurance, it seems to us that the request for a reduction is only fair. It will so seem to any person at all familiar with the conditions in connection with coal mining in Alberta. It is unquestionably true that the coal companies are carrying all the burdens they can bear. Very little in addition would put most of them out of business. The uninitiated says: "Put the extra burden on the price of coal" and may be that would be all right if it could be done but just at this time it happens to be true that some companies, to get business have found it necessary to cut the price so it does not look much like adding more to it. Newspapers which talk anything else are located too far from the coal mining business to know what they are talking about.

Then as to the argument against the government instituting a form of insurance to protect the operators from compensation losses. The only reasoning we have seen advanced against such a scheme is that it is a heavy one! Assuredly the men themselves are not more greatly interested in preventing such accidents than are the companies. If such accidents happen through negligence you may depend upon it, it is not with the knowledge of the employer company. If this is all the argument there is against the government undertaking to administer a fund created by the employer themselves for their own protection, then our humble advice to the government would be to investigate, find a workable basis for an act and let them have it.

There is such a thing as being too one sided.

TAXATION OF C.P.R. LANDS.

Attorney-General Cross, who has been holding a series of Edmonton recent into direct effect of the act which is now being the Alberta.

Already this province receives over \$60,000 yearly from taxation of the branch line of the C.P.R. but in a test case made in Manitoba and appealed by that government to the supreme court at Ottawa it was decided that the big railway company's evasion of the tax could be maintained in law. The company's plea was then that the twenty years exemption from taxes granted to the company in 1881 intended there should be no exception twenty years after the company had received the patent for its lands. As this had only been secured by them a short time before, they maintained the exemption should continue over another period of about twenty years.

The company was upheld in its claim by all the Canadian courts and Manitoba abandoned its suit. But the Alberta government is not so easily turned from its belief that this cost should pay taxes on the valuable land it holds and thus add many thousands of dollars yearly to the provincial treasury. A bill has been prepared under the supervision of the attorney-general and suit will be brought against the company in a case similar to those conducted by the dominion government to collect taxes on land holdings. New contentions have been prepared, and the matter will be carried from court to court to the privy council of England if necessary.

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SECOND WEEK OF LEGISLATURE

(Special Correspondence The Frank Paper)

The second week of the legislature was marked mainly by the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. The main feature of the week was the amount of legislation passed through the preliminary stages. Much of this consisted of private bills, little of the government program being brought down as the standing committees have not yet had sufficient time for a full consideration of the various bills. Apart from the sessions of the legislature the cabinet ministers have been quite busy receiving various deputations.

The convention of delegates from the Alberta municipalities brought a large number of business men to the capital, and their arrival was the occasion of other delegations to the government. Almost every municipality wants a railway, and if its member has not already asked for it, then the delegation did. Lethbridge sent a deputation, Camrose sent a delegation of imposing numbers with a pressing claim to have the C. N. R.'s proposed line from Edmonton to Calgary pass through Camrose. Calgary's mayor and some civic officials asked for amendments to the city charter, one being to permit an enlargement of the city's borrowing power.

The workmen's compensation act has again been attacked by some of the employers. The Western Coal Operator's association of southern Alberta sent up a deputation to ask for amendments to the act. The deputation consisted of O. E. S. Whiteside, of the International Coal & Coke Co. Ltd., Coleman; Lewis Stockert, of the Bankhead mine, Bankhead, Alta; W. F. White, of the G. H. W. McNeil Co., Ltd., Camrose, Alta; and H. H. Farlee, of the firm of Boyle & Farlee who assisted in the presentation of the case.

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Frank News in Brief

Alex Goyette, dealer in furniture and wall paper.

Robert Livingston, district coal mine inpector, visited The Pass the first of the week.

MATERNITY—Quiet comfortable home for accomodment. Doctor in attendance. Mrs. Kidd, 27 Front st.

D. Thompson, C. P. R. agent at Hillcrest junction is laid up with a gripp.

R. L. Griffith, formerly of the Alberta hotel at Cowley, has been engaged by C. Fano as manager of the Little hotel.

It is announced that there is no foundation for the report that E. Morino will resign from the Blairmore village council.

F. H. Sherman and a committee of the local union interviewed General Manager Muller of the coal company yesterday preliminary to arranging the new agreement.

Persons wishing to obtain turkeys for breeding purposes can do so by addressing a applying to this office. Splendid specimens of toms and hens. Bronze and Wild crossed, making the hardest breed for a cold climate.

The arbitration committee of the coal operators and mine workers' organizations met Tuesday at Coleman to consider a dispute over the brushing clause of the Coleman agreement. The difficulty is of no great importance being simply a difference as to the proper interpretation of the clause. After discussion of the subject it was referred to the scale committee of the joint convention which meets at Macleod March 2nd to begin negotiations for the new agreement.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Irrigation Act the International Coal & Coke Company, Limited, have filed the memorial and plans required by Sections 13 and 14 of the said Act, with the Commissioner of Irrigation, at Calgary, Alta. The applicant Company applies for the right to divert from the North-west quarter of Section 22, Township 13, Range 4, West of the Fifth Meridian, for industrial purposes and other purposes, water from the right to construct the necessary works as shown by the memorial and plans filed to make use of the water so diverted to the said industrial and other purposes. The following lands are also affected by right of way proposed works, viz:—The South-east quarter of Section 22, Township 13, Range 4, West of the Fifth Meridian; the North-west quarter of Section 22, Township 13, Range 4, West of the Fifth Meridian; the North-east quarter of Section 22, Township 13, Range 4, West of the Fifth Meridian. Dated at Coleman, Alta., this 18th day of December, 1925.

A 'baby boy' was born Thursday morning last to Mrs. T. B. Martin.

Dr. S. M. Fraser, mounted police surgeon at Macleod, visited The Pass Tuesday to vaccinate the menbers of the force. One armed policeman may therefore be expected to be the order for a time.

The govern ment of the province expended \$26,701.00 in payment of bounties on wolves and coyotes during the year 1924 and owing to the reduction in their numbers caused thereby, it has again been decided to pay bounty from the first day of January, 1925. Warrants in payment of bounty will be issued by the former inspectors.

A news item in the District Ledger of Fernside states that Y. S. Shoppard, the Lethbridge real estate dealer who established the Coleman Miner and who has done a large business through The Pass, has been hailed into court at Fernie on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences. It is alleged that he sold property to various people representing it to be in or near some town which in reality was so where near a town. This charge has frequently been made relative to real estate dealers doing business in the district but this is the first time a case has got into court. Shoppard was released on bonds pending the trial.

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The Burrows brothers, the new proprietors of the Union hotel at Hillcrest, gave a very pleasant dancing party Thursday evening last.

The dancing party given by the Blairmore people at the Frank school house Friday evening, proved a most enjoyable affair and was attended by a large gathering of people from all the camps of the district.

WANTED To buy two small mine cars 24-27 gauge or in lieu thereof, the running gear of two such cars. Address S. W. Hewston, Pincher Creek.

A farewell surprise party was tendered S. Muir at the rooms of The Mess at Blairmore Tuesday evening. Mr. Muir is leaving to reside at Cranbrook. What supplied the entertainment. Mr. Muir was presented with a handsome portfolio by his friends.

The Rev. R. E. Finley of Pincher Creek will conduct services next Sunday at Hillcrest at 11:30 in the morning, at Bellevue at 2 in the afternoon and at Frank at 7:30 in the evening.

The announcement is made that the C. P. R. will supply still further improvements to the train service on the Crow line when the new time card goes into effect the first of May. It is stated that two extra trains will be put on, running between Medicine Hat and Cranbrook.

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